



TYLDESLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
AND
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE YEAR 1969

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Public Health Department,
Town Hall,
TYLDESLEY.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

I have the honour to present for your information and consideration the Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the Urban District of Tyldesley for the year 1969.

STATISTICS

According to the Registrar General's mid year estimate the population of the district has shown an increase, being 20,080 as against 19,430 the previous year and 19,660 in 1967.

During the year under review 415 live births occurred, an increase of 20 on the previous year. 3 babies were still born. Relating these figures to the population, the adjusted Live Birth Rate is 22.8 an increase of 0.5 on the previous year, and the Still Birth Rate a decrease of 10.0 on the year 1968 to 7.0.

2 babies died during their first year of life giving an Infant Mortality Rate for the year of 5.0. Of these, 1 occurred within the first month and 1 under twelve months. This rate is well below the national figure.

The total number of deaths (from all causes) is 37 less than in the previous year, being 212. The main cause of death follow a similar pattern to previous years. 9 deaths from cancer of the lung, underlines the threat to health to which the cigarette smoking male exposes himself. Relating the number of deaths to the population as a whole the Death Rate for the year is 12.9 less by 2.7 than in 1968.

HEALTH SERVICES

The personal health services have been provided in the district by the Lancashire County Council, through its Divisional Health Administration Scheme, as the Local Health Authority. The essential information in relation to these services is given in Section B of this report. Should you require further details I would refer you to my Annual Report as Divisional Medical Officer.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

The sanitary circumstances of the district have been kept under close supervision. Special attention has been paid to food and water supplies, housing and sanitation.

The second smoke control area became operative in October and a third area should extend the smoke free zone in July 1971.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

In conclusion I am pleased to record my sincere appreciation of your continued support and encouragement throughout the year, and, at the same time thank the chief officers, and my own public health staff in particular for their help and advice on many matters.

Yours faithfully,

E. TAYLOR.

Medical Officer of Health.

Area in Acres	5,174
Registrar General's estimate of population (mid 1969)	20,080
Population census 1931	19,430
Population preliminary census 1961	16,810
Number of inhabited houses (census 1931)	4,393
Number of inhabited houses (census 1961)	5,751
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1969) according to Rate Book	7,261
Rateable Value	£529,216
Sum represented by a penny rate	£ 2,020

VITAL STATISTICS

Calculated on a population of 20,080

BIRTHS

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Live Births - Legitimate	206	199	405
Illegitimate	4	6	10
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	210	205	415
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Still Births - Legitimate	2	-	2
Illegitimate	-	1	1
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	2	1	3
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Total registered Births for 1969 - 415
Total registered Births for 1968 - 395

LIVE BIRTH RATE (Per 1,000 of population)

Adjusted Rate for year 1969	22.8
Adjusted Rate for year 1968	22.3
For 5 year average 1964 - 1968	22.6
Increase in 1969 on 1968	0.5
Increase in 1969 on 5 year average	0.2
Live Birth Rate for England and Wales for 1969	16.3

STILL BIRTH RATE (Per 1,000 of population)

For Year 1969	7.0
For Year 1968	17.0
Still Birth Rate for England and Wales for 1969	13.0

DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
INFANTILE - Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	-	-	-
	1	1	2

MATERNAL

NIL

OTHER CAUSES

	Male	Female	Total
Cancer:	13	15	28
Tuberculosis:	1	-	1
Other Causes	94	89	183
Total registered deaths for 1969:	108	104	212
Total registered deaths for 1968:	129	120	249

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE (Per 1,000 Live Births)

For Year 1969	5.0
For Year 1968	18.0
For 5 year average 1964 - 1968	21.6
Decrease in 1969 on 1968	13.0
Decrease in 1969 on 5 year average	16.6
Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1969	18.0

TOTAL MATERNAL MORTALITY (Live and Still Births)

For Year 1969	Nil
For Year 1968	Nil
For 5 year average 1964 - 1968	0.6
Decrease in 1969 on 1968	Nil
Decrease in 1969 on 5 year average	0.6
Maternal Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1969	0.19

TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE

For Year 1969	0.05
For Year 1968	0.05
For 5 year average 1964 - 1968	0.03
Decrease in 1969 on 1968	Nil
Increase in 1969 on 5 year average	0.02
Tuberculosis Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1969	0.038

DEATH RATE

For Year 1969	12.9
For Year 1968	15.6
For 5 year average 1964 - 1968	13.6
Decrease in 1969 on 1968	2.7
Decrease in 1969 on 5 year average	0.7
Death Rate for England and Wales for 1969	11.9

INFANTILE MORTALITY

2 deaths were reported compared with 7 during 1968 and 12 in 1967. This gives an Infantile Mortality Rate for the year 1969 of 5.0 compared with 18.0 in 1968.

The cases and ages were as follows:-

<u>CAUSE OF DEATH</u>	<u>AGE IN MONTHS</u>			
	<u>0-1</u>	<u>1-3</u>	<u>3-6</u>	<u>6-12</u>
Asphyxia	-	-	-	1
Bronchiolitis	1	-	-	-
	1	-	-	1

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE

Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 legitimate births 5.0.

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

1 death occurred in the neo-natal period (under 4 weeks) giving a death rate per 1,000 live births of 2.0.

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

No deaths occurred in the early neo-natal period (under 1 week) giving a death rate per 1,000 live births of 0.0.

PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE

With 3 still births and no deaths under 1 week the perinatal mortality rate per 1,000 total live and still births was 7.0.

CAUSE OF DEATH DURING 1969

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	1	-	1
2. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	-	1
3. Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	2	2	4
4. Malignant Neoplasm - Intestine	-	3	3
5. Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	9	-	9
6. Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	-	4	4
7. Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	-	2	2
8. Leukaemia	1	1	2
9. Other Malignant Neoplasms	1	3	4
10. Anaemias	-	3	3
11. Other Disease of Nervous System, etc.	2	1	3
12. Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	-	3	3
13. Hypertensive Disease	1	3	4
14. Ischaemic Heart Disease	37	28	65
15. Other Forms of Heart Disease	4	7	11
16. Cerebrovascular Disease	10	20	30
17. Other Diseases of Circulatory System	3	2	5
18. Pneumonia	6	6	12
19. Bronchitis and Emphysema	11	1	12
20. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	3	1	4
21. Peptic Ulcer	3	-	3
22. Cirrhosis of Liver	2	1	3
23. Other Diseases of Digestive System:	2	2	4
24. Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1	2
25. Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System:	-	2	2
26. Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	-	1	1
27. Congenital Anomalies	-	1	1
28. Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	-	1
29. All Other Accidents	5	3	8
30. Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	2	2	4
31. All Other External Causes	-	1	1
	108	104	212

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1969 WITH

ANALYSIS OF CASES UNDER AGE GROUPS

D I S E A S E S	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total deaths	A G E I N C I D E N C E									
				Under one year	1 to 3	3 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 25	25 to 45	45 to 65	65 and over	Age un-known
Measles	64	-	-	9	23	13	16	1	-	-	-	-	2
Meningitis	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Infective Jaundice	51	-	-	-	3	5	17	9	10	5	1	-	1
Whooping Cough	3	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	123	1	-	12	27	18	34	10	11	6	2	-	3

T U B E R C U L O S I S

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1969

NEW CASES

DEATHS

	<u>Pulmonary : Non-Pulmonary</u>						<u>Pulmonary : Non-Pulmonary</u>					
	M	:	F	M	:	F	M	:	F	M	:	F
1968	3		2	2		—	1		—	—		—
1969	3		1	—		—	1		—	—		—

SECTION BGENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICESAmbulance Service

Orchard Lane, Atherton Tel. No. Swinton 4343

Care of Children - Children's Act, 1948

Children's Committee - Lancashire County Council Area No. 11.

Area Children's Officer:-

Mr. W. N. Ritchie,

William Deacon's Bank Chambers,

Market Street,

LEIGH.

Tel. No. Leigh 74121

Clinics

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1) Immunisation | At County Clinics as required. |
| 2) Maternity & Child Welfare | (1) Astley Centre Thursday p.m.
(2) George Street Centre, Tyldesley,
Tuesday p.m. |
| 3) Ophthalmic
(by appointment) | Elliott Street Clinic Friday a.m. |
| 4) Orthopaedic
(by appointment) | Elliott Street Clinic 3rd Friday of
each month. |
| 5) School Health & Minor
Ailments | Elliott Street Clinic Monday a.m. |
| 6) Physiotherapy
(by appointment) | Elliott Street Clinic Thursday a.m. |
| 7) Dental | Elliott Street Clinic Monday p.m.
Wednesday a.m. Thursday p.m. Friday
a.m. |
| 8) Tuberculosis | The Infirmary, Leigh. |

9) Venereal Disease

(1) Civic Centre, Bolton.MALES:-

Mon. to Fri. 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
 Mon. Wed. 4.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
 and Fri.

FEMALES:-

Tues. Thurs. 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
 and Sat.
 Mon. Wed. 4.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
 and Fri.

(2) Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan.MALES:-

Fri. 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

FEMALES:-

Wed. 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

(3) The Infirmary, Leigh.MALES AND FEMALES:-

Mon. 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

Convalescence

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council through the Divisional Medical Officer.

Convalescent Treatment

Under arrangements made by the Regional Hospital Board.

Health Visiting Service

Two Health Visitors/School Nurses employed in the District by the Lancashire County Council.

Home Help Service

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council Applications to Divisional Health Offices, Leigh Road, Leigh.

Home Nursing Service

Male and Female District Nurses provided by the Lancashire County Council.

Hospitals

1) General

Leigh Infirmary, Bolton Infirmary,
 Atherleigh Hospital, Astley Hospital.

2) Infectious Diseases

Whelley Hospital, Hulton Lane Hospital,
Monsall Hospital Manchester.

3) Maternity

Billinge Hospital, Davyhulme Hospital,
St. Mary's Hospital, Bolton and District
General Hospital.

Maternity Homes

Firs Maternity Home, Leigh.

Laboratory Facilities

Regional Hospital Laboratories at Bolton and Wigan Infirmarys, and the
Public Health Laboratory at Withington Hospital.

Midwifery Service

Two full time domiciliary midwives provided by the Lancashire County
Council.

Moral Welfare

Local Officer:-

Mrs. J. Johnson,

186 Chapel Street,

LEIGH.

Tel. No. Leigh 71061

(Council for Moral Welfare Work)

Nursing Homes

None in the District.

Unmarried Mothers and Illegitimate Children

Provision for their care is made by the Lancashire County Council.

Welfare Service

Under arrangements made by the Lancashire County Council, residential
accommodation is available at Atherleigh Grange and Hourigan House, Leigh,
Winifred Kettle House, Westhoughton, and Park House, Tyldesley.

X Ray Facilities

At the General Hospitals of the Regional Board, Leigh, Bolton and Wigan.
Facilities for special chest cases at the Chest Clinic, Leigh Infirmary.

SECTION CPREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS
AND OTHER DISEASESDIPHTHERIA

As last year no case or carrier was notified. Continuation of immunisation is still essential if the disease is to be controlled.

DYSENTERY

7 notifications were received during the year, 1 was proved positive but not admitted to hospital. Control depends upon the understanding and co-operation of all who handle food and drink.

ERYSIPELAS

No case was notified.

FOOD POISONING

3 cases were notified during the year. As in the case of Dysentery, control of Food Poisoning is dependent upon the understanding and co-operation of all who handle food and drink.

MALARIA

No notifications for the year.

MEASLES

64 cases were notified as against 127 in the previous year, No cases were admitted to hospital.

MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION

1 case notified during the year.

PARATYPHOID AND TYPHOID FEVER

No cases notified for the year.

POLIOMYELITIS

It is pleasing to report that there has been another year with no cases of this disease.

PUERPERAL PYREXIA

No cases notified during the year.

SCARLET FEVER

No cases notified as against 1 the previous year.

SMALLPOX

No notified cases or contacts within the district for the year under review.

TUBERCULOSIS

4 new cases of pulmonary and none of non-pulmonary tuberculosis were reported during the year, as compared with 5 and 2 respectively the previous year. There was 1 death from pulmonary tuberculosis during the year.

WHOOPING COUGH

This year there were 3 cases as against none in 1968.

INFECTIVE JAUNDICE

51 cases were notified compared with 6 the previous year.

SECTION DSANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

The major portion of the district is urban in character concentrated chiefly in the north and centre, surrounded by an area of agricultural land.

The main industries are coal mining, cotton spinning and engineering with a small number in agriculture.

None of the above industries appear to have given rise to any significant increase in injuries or disabilities of any occupational character throughout the year.

WATER SUPPLY

The Manchester Corporation Waterworks Committee are responsible for the supply and distribution of the water supply in the district.

7,359 dwelling houses, with a population of 20,030 persons are supplied with water from public mains. 10 houses with a total of 50 occupants draw supplies from private wells or springs. These are situated in isolated parts of the district and the dwellings are in connection with small holdings or agricultural land.

136 new houses have been connected to the town's water mains.

25 bacteriological examinations of town's water were made during the year, 23 of which were satisfactory and 2 unsatisfactory.

Water mains have been laid to the extent of 796 lineal yards to new dwellings.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Sewage is delivered to the East Lancashire Road pumping station by four sewers, two of 38" diameter and two of 30" and 24" diameter respectively, converging from different areas of the district. The sewage pumping station delivers flows of 6 times dry weather flow to the disposal works and flows in excess of this enter the storm water pumping station and are discharged direct to Astley Brook.

Treatment is by means of sedimentation tanks and percolating filters followed by final settlement in circular humus tanks, fitted with electrically operated sludge removal gear. A third pumping station delivers the effluent to Black Moss Brook.

Sludge is disposed of on land, and storm water flows between 3 and 6 times dry weather flow are also given partial treatment on land.

Council's consultants have prepared a scheme for Sewage works extensions at a cost of approximately £190,000 to serve a population of 25,000. The Ministry of Housing and Local Government have authorised the invitation of tenders for the scheme.

Work on 9" and 12" diameter foul and surface water sewers in Squires Lane is now completed and in full operation.

SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT, 1964

Three dealers with premises in the district are registered under the above Act.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT

There are no premises in the district registered for the use of Rag Flock.

PETROLEUM (REGULATIONS) ACT 1928 AND 1936

The following licences to store petroleum spirit were issued during the year:-

Not exceeding	100 gallons	-	2
Exceeding	100 gallons not exceeding	500 gallons	- 6
Exceeding	500 gallons not exceeding	1,000 gallons	- 3
Exceeding	1,000 gallons not exceeding	5,000 gallons	- 7
Exceeding	5,000 gallons	-	7

SWIMMING BATHS

The Public Baths are situated in Castle Street, and consist of one plunge. Towns main water is used for filling, and treatment is by the continuous filtration method with a 4 hour turnover period.

12 samples of swimming bath water were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination, all were reported as satisfactory.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

The figures below show the sanitary accommodation for the district for the present year compared with the year 1968.

	1969	1968
Number of privy middens	5	5
Number of closets attached to the above middens	6	6
Number of pail closets	16	21
Number of waste water closets	54	56
Number of fresh water closets	8,198	8,084

2 waste water closets have been converted to fresh water closets.

Grants are made by the Council for closet conversions on the following scale:-

£9 or half the cost which ever is the less for privy and pail conversions.
£8 or half the cost which ever is the less for waste water closet conversions.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

A weekly collection of house refuse is maintained throughout the district by means of 4 side loading 10 c.yd. vehicles and refuse is disposed of by means of controlled tipping. Pail closets are emptied by gully tank.

Towns refuse is disposed of on the Atherton Urban District Council's tip at Swan Island, Tyldesley Old Road.

Scavenging, gully emptying and snow removal are undertaken by the Surveyor's Department.

The provision of free dustbins has continued, and 503 bins were supplied by the department during the financial year.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Number of Inspections and Reinspections during the year	4,491
Number of preliminary notices served	27
Number of preliminary notices abated	4
Number of statutory notices served	19
Number of statutory notices abated	17

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Infectious Diseases	16
Public Health Act, Visits and Revisits	262
Drainage	244
Markets	23
Refuse Collection and Disposal	2
Slaughterhouses	525
Housing Acts	65
Petroleum Regulations	11
Rodent Control	81
Food Preparing Premises	124
Closet Conversions	4
Keeping of Animals	9
Food Shops &c.	179
Smoke Abatement	20
Smoke Control Areas	1,854
Sampling	106
Accumulations.	61
Water Supply	47
Verminous Premises	163
Pet Shops	2
Animal Boarding Establishments	1
Offices, Shops and Railway Establishments.	146
Standard Grants	166
Noise Abatement	74
Civic Amenities	122
Factories	104
Food Poisoning	11
Farms	31
Miscellaneous Visits and Interviews	38

FACTORIES

The following tables give the number of inspections made regarding factories and the defects discovered &c.

	NO. ON REGTR.	NO. OF INSP.	NO. OF WRITTEN NOTICES	NO. OF OCCUPIERS PROSECUTED
Factories without mechanical power	3	3	-	-
Factories with mechanical power	60	101	-	-
TOTAL	63	104	-	-

	FOUND	REMEDIED	REFERRED TO H. M. INSP.	BY H. M. INSP.	NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PROSEC. WERE INSTITUTED
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Unsuitable or defective sanitary conveniences	14	12	-	-	-
Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	14	12	-	-	-

CLEAN AIR

The first smoke control area, situated in the Blackmoor district covering 623 acres and 500 houses came into operation on the 1st October, 1968.

No. 2 smoke control area was approved by the Council in June 1968. This is also situated in the Blackmoor district, covers 247 acres and 1,064 premises, and came into operation on the 1st October, 1969.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

There were eight new registrations during the year all of which received a general inspection and a total of 147 visits were made by your Inspectors.

3 accidents were reported to the Local Authority during the year all of a minor character.

The following tables show the number of premises registered at the end of the year and the number of general inspections, also the number of persons employed in the various classes of workplace.

<u>Class of Workshop</u>	<u>Employees</u>
Offices	194
Retail Shops	193
Wholesale Departments	42
Catering Establishments	65
Canteens	1
Fuel Storage Depots	4

	<u>Class of Premises</u>				
	Offices	Retail Shops	Whole-sale shops, ware-houses	Catering Establishments open to public, Canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
(a) No. of registered premises at end of year	27	70	5	15	1
(b) No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year	26	69	1	15	1
(c) No. of exemptions current at end of year	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Space (S.5 (2))	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Temperature (S.6)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Sanitary conveniences (S.9)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Washing facilities (S.10)	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

VERMINOUS PREMISES

95 premises (38 Council houses and 57 others) were disinfested during the year with 5% DDT solution sprayed on to walls, woodwork &c. which treatment appears to give satisfactory results.

Household effects and furniture are examined before removal to Council houses and treated where necessary, advice and instructions are given to tenants in appropriate cases of the habits of vermin and necessary measures to prevent re-infestation.

RODENT CONTROL

A Rodent Operator is employed part -time in this work and the Ministry's recommended methods employed. All premises concerning which complaints are made are visited either by your Public Health Inspectors or Rodent Operator, and treatment carried out where necessary. A charge is made for business premises, but a free service is provided for private dwelling houses.

The various properties and premises in the Council's occupation are regularly inspected and treated where necessary.

2,471 visits have been made to private dwellings, business premises and local authorities properties in connection with rodent infestation.

In addition sewer treatments have been undertaken involving the inspection and baiting of manholes with fluoroacetamide.

SCHOOLS

All the schools are provided with adequate water supply and fresh water closets.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

16 visits were paid to premises where Infectious Disease had occurred.

36 faecal specimens were submitted for examination and 15 reported as positive.

HOUSING

The majority of houses in the area are of 4 roomed cottage type lacking in the main such amenities as hot water supply and baths. Although materials are easier to obtain, prices remain high and this together with the high cost of labour make repairs still difficult to obtain.

Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects	191
Number of inspections made for that purpose	327
Number of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for habitation	27
Number of dwelling houses where defects were remedied without formal notice	6
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	19
Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	15

136 houses/bungalows were erected during the year by private persons and none by the local authority.

There were 166 applications for Council houses at the end of 1969 and 214 for bungalows. Approximately 50% of applications are from sub-tenants.

Information extracted from the Council house application register show, the number of dwelling houses overcrowded at the end of the year to be 44 comprising of 68 families and 262 persons. 14 new cases of overcrowding were reported during the year and 12 cases relieved.

No Clearance Orders were declared during the year but 7 dwelling houses have been the subject of Demolition Orders.

Number of houses demolished during the year	22
Number of persons displaced during the year	35
Number of families rehoused	14

HOUSING ACT, 1969 - STANDARD AND DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

65 applications for Standard Grants and 6 Discretionary Grants under the above Act were made during the year ending December 1969 and 63 and 4 respectively were granted, an increase over the previous year of 14 and 6 respectively.

Total amount of grants paid - £5,373 3s. 5d.

RENT ACT, 1957

Part 1 - Applications for Certificates of Disrepair

- | | |
|---|-----|
| (1) Number of applications for certificates | Nil |
| (2) Number of decisions not to issue certificates | Nil |
| (3) Number of decisions to issue certificates | |
| (a) in respect of some but not all defects | Nil |
| (b) in respect of all defects | Nil |
| (4) Number of undertakings given by landlords under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule | Nil |
| (5) Number of undertakings refused by Local Authority | Nil |
| (6) Number of certificates issued | Nil |

Part 11 - Applications for Cancellation of Certificates

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| (7) Applications by landlord to Local Authority for cancellation of certificates | Nil |
| (8) Objections by tenants to cancellation of certificates | Nil |
| (9) Decision by Local Authority to cancel in spite of tenants objections | Nil |
| (10) Certificates cancelled by Local Authority | Nil |

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There is no common lodging house in the district.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1961

2 licences to keep a Pet shop have been issued during the year.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

1 licence to keep an Animal Boarding Establishment has been issued during the year.

MILK AND DAIRIES

The supervision and inspection of dairy farms is now the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and milk licences in the area are now issued by the Lancashire County Council

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

957 visits have been made to food premises and the following foodstuffs were condemned:-

<u>N A T U R E</u>	<u>Q U A N T I T I E S</u>			
	<u>tons</u>	<u>cwts.</u>	<u>qrs.</u>	<u>lbs.</u>
Canned and frozen meat		1	1	11
Meat (including 1 bullock, 2 cows and 3 sheep carcasses)	4	9	1	13
Miscellaneous (canned and frozen foodstuffs)		1	3	18
	4	12	2	14

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trades in the district.

PRESERVED FOOD &C.

Premises used for the preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved meat, fish or other food intended for sale must be registered. The number of premises registered at the end of the year was 17.

3 private slaughterhouses were licenced for the slaughter of animals.

During the year 17 licences were issued to persons to slaughter animals for human consumption.

Condemned meat is sent to a nearby cat and dog food manufacturer, where it is sterilised and canned for animal food.

525 visits have been made to slaughterhouses in the district and the carcasses of the following animals inspected 1,082 cattle, 222 cows, 2 calves and 9,634 sheep and lambs.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	1,082	222	2	9,634	-
Number Inspected	1,082	222	2	9,634	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis					
1) Whole carcasses condemned	1	2	-	3	-
2) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	459	120	-	460	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	42.5	55.0	-	4.8	-
Tuberculosis only:-					
1) Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
2) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis:-					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	5	1	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

FOOD POISONING

3 cases were notified during the year.

FOOD PREMISES

Progress regarding the Food Hygiene Regulations has continued to be good. Advice and assistance is given to all who desire it to enable them to comply with the regulations.

ICE CREAM

Premises used for the sale of ice cream have been visited regularly. There are now 54 premises registered for the sale of ice cream.

72 samples of ice cream were obtained and submitted to the methylene blue test 52 of which were Grade I, 14 Grade II, 4 Grade III and 2 Grade IV.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD

Sampling under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 is undertaken by the Lancashire County Council, and during the year 65 samples have been obtained by the Inspectors, 27 being milk and 38 others comprising:-

1 Cough Medicine	1 Smoky Bacon Crisps with Peanuts, Corn, Wholewheat and Oats
1 Olive Oil B.P.	1 Suet Dumpling Mix
3 Biscuits	1 Sweets
2 Epsom Salts B.P.	1 Ice Lolly
1 Curry Sauce Mix	1 Yoghourt
1 Onion Gravy Mix	2 Strawberries, canned
1 Boiled Ham	1 Mincemeat
1 Chopped Chicken in Jelly	1 Jam
1 Butter	1 Glucose and Vegetable Fat Powder
1 Junior Aspirin	1 Lime Cordial and Lager
1 Wheat Germ Oil	1 Shandy, canned
1 Herbal Tablets	1 Peppermint Cordial
1 Breath Sweeteners	1 Marmalade
1 Jelly	2 Malt, Milk, Cocoa Beverage
1 Carrots, canned	1 Tongues, canned
1 Sodium Bicarbonate B.P.	1 Minced Steak with Gravy, canned
1 Energy Tablets	

The County Analyst gave adverse reports on 4 samples as under:-

<u>Type of Sample</u>	<u>Result of Analysis</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
Chopped Chicken in Jelly (opened can)	Contained parts of black down feather weighing in all 0.004 grammes.	Complainant informed and canners cautioned.
Butter	Contained a laminated flake of rust weighing 0.13 grammes.	Vendor cautioned and complainant informed.

<u>Type of Sample</u>	<u>Results of Analysis</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
Informal milk	Contained a newly hatched bird weighing 3.5 grammes and measuring 4.2 centimetres in length and 1.8 centimetres maximum width.	No action - bird not in milk at time of bottling.
Yoghourt	The part beetle submitted with the sample consisted of thorax and abdomen (complete with wings) of a ground beetle no other parts were present in the yoghurt and all portions of the insect which could lead to a positive identification were missing.	Complainant informed and manufacturer cautioned.

